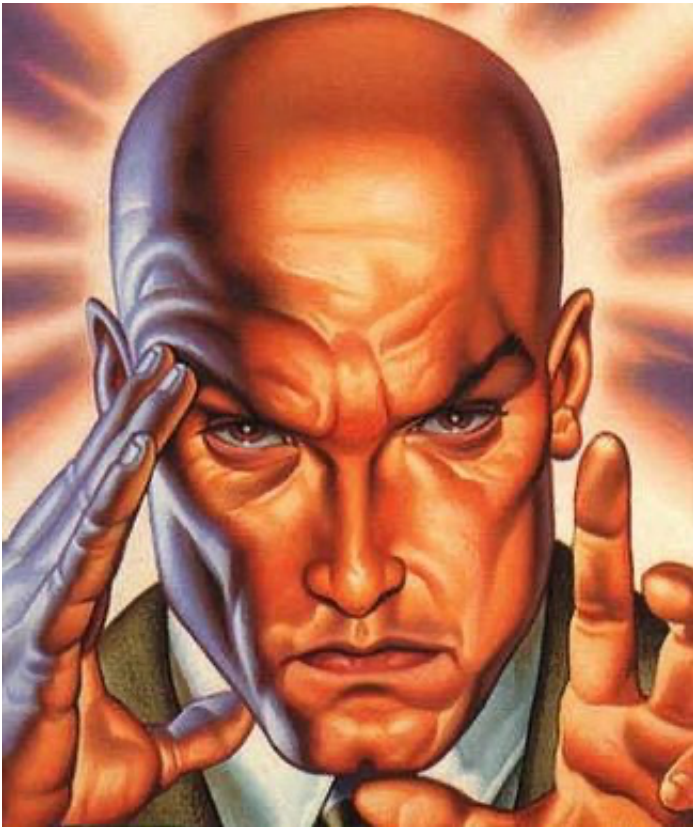


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Army Funds 'Synthetic Telepathy' Research

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The Army has given a team of University of California researchers a \$4 million grant to study the foundations of "[synthetic telepathy](#)." But unlike old-school mind-melds, this seemingly psychic communication would be computer-mediated. The University of California, Irvine explains:

The brain-computer interface would use a noninvasive brain imaging technology like electroencephalography to let people communicate thoughts to each other. For example, a soldier would "think" a message to be transmitted and a computer-based speech recognition system would decode the EEG signals. The decoded thoughts, in essence translated brain waves, are transmitted using a system that points in the direction of the intended target.

All across the military, there's interest in translating thoughts into computer code, and vice versa. Darpa-funded researchers have [taught monkeys how to control robotic limbs with their thoughts](#). Defense contractor Northrop Grumman is [building binoculars that tap the unconscious mind](#). Honeywell has built a system that monitors pre-conscious neural firings, to help pick out targets in satellite imagery. The JASONs, the Pentagon's premiere scientific advisory board, has [warned of the dangers of enemies implanted with brain-computer interfaces](#). And the Defense Intelligence Agency just released a report, saying the military needs to

spend more on neuroscience - up to and including "[mak\[ing\] the enemy obey our commands.](#)"

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Posted by: bob m | 08/18/08 | 12:09 pm |

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hmmm, isn't this already an example of fox news?

Posted by: Philopoemen | 08/18/08 | 12:11 pm |

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Good. Keep it coming...

Posted by: James Bond | 08/18/08 | 12:34 pm |

I think this has already been put into use. How do you think the Americans voted for Bush twice!!

Posted by: United Shit of America | 08/18/08 | 1:37 pm |

Where i have read that all shit again? OHYAAHH! That dude who invented LCD pills! Fuck Univercity of California, Fuck those idiots who waste 4 MILLIONS on such fucking shit!

Posted by: Ghost in the shell | 08/18/08 | 2:58 pm |

Commercial Cyberization will take place faster than we think.And F#\$k that rabbit hole...It does create interesting possibility.The question is can we live as a civilization at a 140mph?

Posted by: Philopoemen | 08/18/08 | 3:41 pm |

@USA: First of all I didn't know there was a united leauge of feces, but now I know better. Also what is an LCD pill? Does that make your eyes blink, and change into a crystal like material? I WANT SOME! LOL....
